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Case No. 2:19-cv-01091-APG-NJK

STIPULATION AND ORDER TO EXTEND DEADLINE FOR DISCLOSURE OF EXPERT WITNESSES AND REPORTS

[FIRST REQUEST]

RUSSELL ROAD FOOD AND BEVERAGE, LLC d/b/a CRAZY HORSE III GENTLEMEN'S CLUB; and SN INVESTMENT PROPERTIES, LLC d/b/a CRAZY HORSE III GENTLEMEN'S CLUB

Plaintiffs,

Defendants.

Plaintiffs, Emily Sears, Najome Colon a/k/a Gia Macool, Rachel Bernstein a/k/a Rachel Koren, Lucy Pinder, and Mariana Davalos (collectively "Plaintiffs"), by and through their counsel, Alverson Taylor & Sanders, and Defendants, Russell Road Food and Beverage, LLC d/b/a Crazy Horse III Gentlemen's Club and SN Investment Properties, LLC d/b/a Crazy Horse III Gentlemen's Club¹ (collectively "Defendants"), by and through their counsel, Bendavid Law, hereby stipulate and agree that the deadline for disclosing expert witnesses and reports, which is

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Defendant SN Investment disputes that it is "doing business as Crazy Horse III Gentlemen's Club".

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currently set for December 16, 2019, should be extended by 75 days to March 2, 2020. Due to the extension of the deadline for expert disclosures, the Parties also hereby stipulate and agree that the deadlines for close of discovery, rebuttal experts, the interim status report, dispositive motions, and the pre-trial order be extended 75 days as well, as outlined in the Proposed Extended Discovery Plan below:

The Parties have conferenced together in an attempt to be proactive and anticipate the amount of time that will actually be needed to perform the required discovery in this matter. Counsel for the Parties have discussed certain conflicts and circumstances arising in the next month that indicate there is good cause for the requested extension and the Parties desire to submit this stipulation now rather than waiting until the last minute to request additional time that will be needed in this matter. There are several reasons why there is good cause to extend the expert disclosure and other deadlines. First, the Parties are hopeful that they may be able to reach a resolution of this matter without the need to proceed all the way through the litigation process and to trial. Plaintiffs have recently received a preliminary estimate of damages from an expert and are hopeful that this number can be used as a starting point for meaningful settlement discussions with Defendants. The Parties feel that granting additional time for normal discovery through written discovery and depositions, as needed, will allow the Parties to obtain additional information that will better allow them to evaluate the possibility of settlement in this matter. However, requiring the Parties to retain and disclose experts early in this process will hamper any negotiations by increasing the costs for both Parties and making settlement more difficult due to those increased costs.

Additionally, another expert who Plaintiffs anticipate needing to retain should negotiations prove unsuccessful will need certain information that Plaintiffs intend to obtain through discovery. Although Plaintiffs have propounded their first sets of Interrogatories and

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Requests for Production on each Defendant, more time will be needed to get Defendants' responses and provide this information to the contemplated expert to give them time to complete their evaluations and reports. Specifically, Plaintiffs anticipate that their expert will need to perform a market research survey to explore possible consumer confusion. In order to complete this survey and the accompanying report, this expert will need information that will be obtained from Defendants via the propounded written discovery that is currently pending and possibly follow up discovery requests and possibly depositions of Defendants depending on the responses to Plaintiffs' first sets of written discovery. Once this information is obtained the expert will need time to formulate and distribute the survey and gather and analyze the results. The timing of this is complicated by conflicts in the expert's schedule during the holidays as well as difficulty in obtaining responses to the market survey if it is distributed during the busy holiday season. The types of experts that it appears will be necessary if the Parties are unable to resolve this matter require time to adequately perform their analysis and evaluation and draft a report.

The Scheduling Order in this case was issued on September 12, 2019. Since that time, the Parties have exchanged and supplemented their Initial Disclosures. Plaintiffs have propounded written discovery in the form of Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents on each Defendant. Following service of Plaintiffs' written discovery, the Parties agreed to a stipulated protective order that was signed by the Court on October 31, 2019. The Parties have agreed to an extension of the deadline for Defendants to respond to those discovery requests due to the fact that Defendants' counsel will be out of the country for a period of time and the busy holiday schedule. The Parties have agreed that Defendants' responses to Plaintiffs' first set of written discovery shall be due by December 20, 2019 to accommodate the busy schedules of the Parties and their respective counsel during the holiday season as well to accommodate for defense counsel's time out of the country.

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The discovery that remains to be completed includes taking depositions of the Parties as well as depositions of the experts that are retained by each Party after those experts have performed their analysis and generated their reports and the Parties' expert disclosures have been made. The Parties will also likely propound additional written discovery depending on the responses to Plaintiffs' first sets of written discovery and also following the disclosure of the experts the Parties retain in this matter. Pushing back the expert disclosure deadline in this matter is necessary to allow the Parties time to conduct additional written discovery, and possibly depositions, that will be needed by the experts to perform their analysis.

Additionally, it will give the Parties time to attempt to reach a settlement agreement resolving this matter without the Parties being forced to retain experts and incur costs that will make settlement much more difficult. Because it is necessary to push back the expert disclosure deadlines by 75 days to allow the Parties to gather additional information that is needed to help in settlement negotiations and that will be required by contemplated experts, the Parties anticipate that deadlines for close of discovery, rebuttal experts, the interim status report, dispositive motions, and the pre-trial order will also need to be extended by 75 days as well. For this reason, the Parties have also agreed to extend these other discovery-related deadlines by 75 days as well, as outlined in the "Proposed Extended Discovery Plan" provided below.

## PROPOSED EXTENDED DISCOVERY PLAN

The Parties hereby stipulate and agree to extend the discovery deadlines in this case as follows:

	<u>EVENT</u>	PROPOSED NEW DEADLINE
a)	Close of Discovery:	Monday, April 27, 2020
b)	Disclosure of Experts:	Monday, March 2, 2020
c)	Disclosure of Rebuttal Experts:	Monday, March 30, 2020

1	d) Filing of Interim Status Report:	Monday, March 2, 2020
2	e) Filing Dispositive Motions:	Wednesday, May 27, 2020
3	f) Filing of Pretrial Order:	Monday, June 29, 2020
4	The Parties agree and stipulate to this 75-day extension to provide adequate time to complete the discovery that will need to be done after expert disclosures are made. The Parties are aware that this is a significant extension but they feel that it is needed for the reasons discussed above and the Parties affirm that this extension is sought in good faith.	
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9	IT IS SO STIPULATED.	
10	Dated: November 15, 2019	Dated: November 15, 2019
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## **ORDER**

### IT IS SO ORDERED.

The following discovery-related deadlines will be extended 75 days to the dates shown

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DATED November 18, 2019

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

**GIVEN THE LENGTHY EXTENSION** BEING PROVIDED, NO FURTHER **EXTNESIONS WILL BE GRANTED.**